

Optimize Return with Optaflexx®

Optaflexx Duration Recommendations

A high-reward technology, Optaflexx® is a feed ingredient that enables cattle to produce more high-quality lean meat with less fat. Optaflexx gives producers the flexibility they need to quickly respond to market signals and capitalize on the benefits, whether selling live cattle or on a carcass basis.

- Producers feed Optaflexx because of the value it brings their operations; optimizing Optaflexx duration for the current fed market ensures the highest return on investment
- With increased volatility in the cattle market, it is important to understand how optimizing dose and duration of Optaflexx can help improve bottom lines

Marketing steers on live and carcass weight basis

Based on steer fed prices, Tables 1 and 2 show the optimum days Optaflexx should be fed to help capture the most return.

Steer — Live

Table 1. Optimum days on Optaflexx on a live basis*

Pricing, \$/cwt	Days	Return, \$/hd	Pricing, \$/cwt	Days	Return, \$/hd
90	28	\$6.15	130	29	\$15.10
95	28	\$7.27	135	29	\$16.24
100	28	\$8.39	140	30	\$17.38
105	28	\$9.51	145	30	\$18.54
110	28	\$10.63	150	30	\$19.70
115	28	\$11.74	155	31	\$20.86
120	28	\$12.86	160	31	\$22.01
125	28	\$13.98			

Steer — Carcass

Table 2. Optimum days on Optaflexx on a carcass basis*

Pricing, \$/cwt	Days	Return, \$/hd	Pricing, \$/cwt	Days	Return, \$/hd
142	28	\$14.81	205	33	\$28.14
150	29	\$16.45	213	33	\$29.89
157	30	\$17.91	220	33	\$31.41
165	30	\$19.58	228	34	\$33.16
173	31	\$21.28	236	34	\$34.92
181	31	\$22.98	244	34	\$36.68
189	32	\$24.69	252	34	\$38.44
197	32	\$26.42			

*Elanco Animal Health. Data on file. Steers fed Optaflexx at a rate of 300 mg/hd/d at a cost of \$0.50/hd/d.



Marketing heifers on live and carcass weight basis

Based on heifer fed prices, Tables 3 and 4 show the optimum days Optaflexx should be fed to help capture the most return.

Heifer — Live

Table 3. Optimum days on Optaflexx on a live basis**

Pricing, \$/cwt	Days	Return, \$/hd	Pricing, \$/cwt	Days	Return, \$/hd
90	28	\$1.93	130	28	\$9.01
95	28	\$2.82	135	28	\$9.90
100	28	\$3.70	140	28	\$10.78
105	28	\$4.59	145	28	\$11.67
110	28	\$5.47	150	29	\$12.56
115	28	\$6.36	155	29	\$13.46
120	28	\$7.24	160	30	\$14.36
125	28	\$8.13			

Heifer — Carcass

Table 4. Optimum days on Optaflexx on a carcass basis**

Pricing, \$/cwt	Days	Return, \$/hd	Pricing, \$/cwt	Days	Return, \$/hd
142	28	\$6.02	205	30	\$14.97
150	28	\$7.15	213	31	\$16.14
157	28	\$8.14	220	31	\$17.18
165	28	\$9.27	228	31	\$18.37
173	28	\$10.39	236	32	\$19.57
181	28	\$11.52	244	32	\$20.78
189	29	\$12.66	252	33	\$22.00
197	29	\$13.81			

** Elanco Animal Health. Data on file. Heifers fed Optaflexx at a rate of 300 mg/hd/d at a cost of \$0.50/hd/d.

Contact your Elanco sales or technical representative to utilize Elanco's Benchmark database to find the best dose and duration of Optaflexx for your operation.

The label contains complete use information, including cautions and warnings. Always read, understand and follow the label and use directions.

For information about Elanco products or to report an adverse event, call 1-800-428-4441.

Not for animals intended for breeding.

Optaflexx: Complete feed

For increased rate of weight gain and improved feed efficiency: Feed 8.2 to 24.6 g/ton of ractopamine hydrochloride (90% DM basis) continuously in a complete feed to provide 70 to 430 mg/hd/d for the last 28 to 42 days on feed.

For increased rate of weight gain, improved feed efficiency and increased carcass leanness:

Feed 9.8 to 24.6 g/ton of ractopamine hydrochloride (90% DM basis) continuously in a complete feed to provide 90 to 430 mg/hd/d for the last 28 to 42 days on feed.

Optaflexx: Top dress

For increased rate of weight gain and improved feed efficiency: Feed 70 to 400 mg/hd/d of ractopamine hydrochloride (90% DM basis) continuously in a minimum of 1.0 lb/hd/d top dress Type C medicated feed (maximum 800 g/ton ractopamine hydrochloride) during the last 28 to 42 days on feed.



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